

instruction program benefits hundreds of children in Artesia, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, La Mirada, and Norwalk. She is a member of the Southeast Area Task Force on Youth Violence, and an executive board member of the "Su Casa" Family Violence Center. Other memberships in area organizations include the Southeast Regional Occupations Program, the Latina Leadership Network, Comision Femenil, the National Women's Political Caucus, the American Association of University Women, the State Superintendent of Public Education's Advisory Committee, the Optimist International, the League of United Latin-American Citizens, and the Asian Indian Women's Rights Group. She has also been president of the Cerritos College Faculty Association, in addition to having served as vice president and secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting a model public servant. It is with great pride that we pay tribute to Sally Havice for her dedicated service to the ABC Unified School District.

TRIBUTE TO JUDY BLUESTONE

HON. THOMAS M. BARRETT

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, today I congratulate Judy Bluestone, winner of the State of Israel Bonds—Golda Meir Division Leadership Award of 1995. The award will be presented tonight at a gala event in Milwaukee.

The Leadership Award is bestowed on those who provide outstanding leadership and devotion to Jewish values of community and compassion in the spirit of Golda Meir. Judy Bluestone, through her voluntarism and dedication to our community, exemplifies the intent of the award.

Judy Bluestone's efforts have focused on improving the lives of children. As a speech pathologist at St. Francis Children's Center, through her involvement with the Wisconsin Alliance for Children, and more recently as chair of Start Smart! Milwaukee, Judy Bluestone has been a successful advocate for children. She recognizes and promotes the importance of nurturing environments for all children.

The Leadership Award also commends a lifelong commitment to the Jewish people and the State of Israel. Here again, Judy Bluestone has achieved distinction with her involvement as a board member of the Jewish Community Center, and executive committee member of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation Women's Division. Her leadership and dedication is a lasting tribute to the spirit of Golda Meir and the prominent role women have played in Israel's growth and development.

I congratulate Judy Bluestone, along with her supportive husband Stanton, on her selection as the 1995 State of Israel Bonds Leadership Award winner.

NEW FACILITY TO BE NAMED CHARLES A. HAYES POST OFFICE

HON. CARDISS COLLINS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, today I am joined by my friend and Illinois colleague, Representative DENNIS HASTERT in introducing legislation naming a United States Postal Facility in Chicago as the "Charles A. Hayes Post Office." The post office, to be located in the 2600 block of E. 75th Street in Chicago is currently under construction and will open in November 1996.

Congressman Charles A. Hayes was first elected to Congress in 1983, in a special election, succeeding former Member of Congress, Harold Washington who resigned from the House after being sworn in as Mayor of Chicago. He was the First international union leader to be elected to Congress and spent his early years as a working man, organizing his first union and elected to his first union office as President of Local 1424 of the Carpenter's International Union at age 20.

Congressman Hayes went on to secure bargaining rights for workers in Chicago's stockyards through the United Packinghouse Workers of America. In 1954 he was elected District Director of the Packinghouse Union and moved continuously through the ranks and after several mergers, became International Vice President of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union, then the largest union in the AFL-CIO. Rising from the small town of Cairo, IL, "Charlie" became one of the most important labor leaders in America.

Charlie was urged by labor leaders throughout Chicago to run for the Congressional seat vacated by Mayor Harold Washington. He won the August Democratic Primary, defeating 13 other Democratic contenders and was sworn into Congress in September of 1983.

Former Congressman Hayes fought fiercely to protect American jobs, has been active in the fight to increase Federal funds for schools, to increase funds for public works, protections for civil rights and the rights of ordinary workers. He introduced full employment legislation and denounced unemployment as "morally unacceptable" while politicians were arguing about how best to cut taxes on the rich. He supported National Health Insurance from his earliest union days and is the only Member of Congress with a 100 percent lifetime voting record on issues important to labor.

Prior to his departure, Congressman Charles A. Hayes chaired the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service Subcommittee on Postal Personnel and Modernization. He was known to his friends as the "Labor Democrat" and long recognized as a first-rate public servant and first-class friend, worked hard to make sure that workers across the country had food on the table, had pensions that were protected and were safe on the job.

Charlie's frequent calls for "Regular Order" on the House floor have been missed. We are pleased to honor his efforts on behalf of working Americans. We urge our Illinois colleagues to cosponsor this measure.

IN HONOR OF GERALDINE BARBARA POSNER

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call my colleagues attention to the passing of a great American—Mrs. Geraldine Barbara Posner. Mrs. Posner served in the Air Force Nurse Corps and was among the first to land at Normandy.

After returning from the war, she continued her education and served as a training supervisor for the D.C. Department of Human Resources. Mrs. Posner was a beloved constituent and a patriot. Please join with me in honoring her memory.

GERALDINE BARBARA POSNER

Geraldine Barbara Posner, 73, a former captain in the Air Force Nurse Corps and a retired nurse in-service training supervisor for the D.C. Department of Human Resources, died of cancer Sept. 28 at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda.

Capt. Posner, who lived in Alexandria, entered the Army Nurse Corps in 1944 and, after basic training, landed on Normandy beaches shortly after D-Day, setting up combat field hospitals. After World War II, she was assigned to various military hospitals and received a commission in the Air Force in 1948.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., she received a diploma in nursing from Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Mass. After leaving the military in 1952, she received a nursing degree from Adelphi University in New York.

She also took postgraduate nursing courses at Hofstra College before settling in the Washington area in 1960. She began a seven-year career with the D.C. Department of Human Resources in 1970.

Survivors include her husband, retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Jack I. Posner of Alexandria; three daughters, Geraldine A. Porter of Marshall, Va., Air Force Maj. Jacqueline B. Posner of Alexandria and Ginnear C. Quisenberry of Enterprise, Ala.; two sons, Air Force Lt. Col. John D. Posner of Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.; and Air Force Capt. Joseph R. Posner of Robins Air Force Base, Ga.; three sisters, Carol Fleury of Holyoke, Mass., Janice Devine of Ware, Mass., and Lorraine Curley of Centerville, Mass.; and three grandchildren.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, November 29, 1995, I was unavoidably absent from the House on official travel and missed four recorded votes. Had I been here, I would have voted "No" on rollcall No. 833, the motion to table the measure House Resolution 288; "yes" on rollcall No. 832, the vote on final passage of H.R. 1788, to authorize appropriations for AMTRAK; "yes" on rollcall No. 831, the Nadler amendment to H.R. 1788; and "yes" on rollcall No. 830, the Collins Illinois amendment to H.R. 1788.

ROMANIAN NATIONAL DAY

HON. BARBARA B. KENNELLY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Romania's national day. On December 1, the people of Romania celebrated the 77th anniversary of the creation of the modern Romanian state. The Romanian nation, of course, is much older, and is one of the culturally richest societies in Europe.

The modern Romanian state arose after World War I and the demise of Austro-Hungarian empire. For most of the ensuing 70 years, Romania's people lived through one difficulty after another, culminating in the long oppressive rule of the communist dictator Nicolai Ceaucescu.

Just as modern Romania was created after the fall of an empire, so too has Romania been renewed by the fall of an empire. The demise of communism in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union was welcomed by the Romanian people, who staged a revolution in 1989 that overthrew Ceaucescu and launched the rebirth of their nation. The new Romania has experienced the initial excitement of freedom tempered by the daunting realities of rebuilding its economy, solidifying democracy and catching up with the rest of Europe.

Mr. Speaker, I visited Romania earlier this year and have seen the hard work and commitment of its people. Romania is making steady progress on all fronts. The economy has been invigorated by the expanding role of the private sector and is growing at a healthy pace; Romania's multi-party parliament debates legislation openly and the free press has grown. Romania has expressed a strong desire to join NATO, affirming its desire to become a permanent member of the western camp of democracies. Next year, Romania like the United States, will hold an election for president. This election must and will be democratic, hotly contested and widely covered by the media.

Romania still has a long way to go. There is much to be done but the direction is clear. After 77 years of hardship, things are finally beginning to look up for the Romanian people. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the people of Romania on their national day anniversary and expressing our support for Romania's continued progress.

A TRADITION COMES TO A CLOSE

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, as the year comes to a close, a tradition also comes to a close in Denton, NC. I am, of course, referring to the sad departure of the Denton Record. I join with many other readers in saying we will miss our weekly copy of the Denton Record.

For years, Ed and Venus Wallace have kept the people of Denton and the surrounding area informed with news of community inter-

est. The daily comings and goings of the hard-working men and women of Denton and their families were chronicled in the weekly publication of the Denton Record. News both big and small found a place in its pages. If it happened in Denton, you could read about it in the Denton Record.

In many ways, the Denton Record was a throwback to a bygone era. The newspaper has been published since 1940, the Wallaces have operated the Denton Record since 1962, and they have owned it since 1984. What made the weekly paper unique was that it cared about the community in which it was published. The citizens of Denton responded in kind and supported the Record for more than half a century. In this era of corporate-owned media giants, it was quite refreshing to have your hometown newspaper published by homegrown people. All of that will come to end with the end of 1995.

We will miss reading Venus' "Squibbles" column. We will miss Suzy's photos of sporting events and Miss Denton pageants. We will miss Ed's steady hand which has guided the paper through its weekly scramble to write headlines and meet deadlines. Most of all we will miss knowing that if something happened in Denton we could read about in the Denton Record.

On behalf of the citizens of the sixth district of North Carolina, we offer our congratulations to the Wallaces for decades of newspaper excellence and best wishes for life after the Denton Record.

TIM COUCH'S STANDOUT PREP CAREER

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. ROGERS. Mr. Speaker, just this week, the Nation's football fans enjoyed a passing of the torch, or the football, in the National Football League. Miami Dolphins Quarterback Dan Marino, who recently became the NFL's all-time yardage leader, surpassed Fran Tarkenton's touchdown passes record.

The day before Marino's recordbreaking day, Kentucky's own recordbreaking prep quarterback struck again, too. Leslie County High School's Tim Couch, a legend at the prep level, threw his 133rd touchdown pass to become the all-time high school touchdown pass career leader. Tim's 1-yard pass to Jonathan Morgan on the last play of his high school career broke Bobby Lucht's national record in dramatic fashion.

Like Marino, Tim Couch had already become the all-time high school passing yardage leader by shattering Josh Booty's national passing record the week before. Couch completed his illustrious high school career with 12,092 yards. He also is the all-time leader in completions (872) and completed an outstanding 63.6 percent of his passes.

Recently featured in a two-page Sports Illustrated article, Tim Couch has given Leslie County, eastern Kentucky, and all of America's football fans something to stand up and shout about.

Tim, who is an A-B student, is also a standout basketball player (he averaged more than 36 points per game last year) and part of the wonderful community spirit and pride of Hyden and Leslie County.

Not only did this community of 375 rally around their favorite son, they brought out the best in their team (an 11-3 record) and the entire region.

Tim Couch's success provides hope not only for every aspiring young football player, but for his community and everyone who knows this very talented young man from the mountains with the desire and ability to make it big. He has set a standard of excellence for Leslie County, its young people and the entire Nation. I know that Tim will continue to be an excellent example for all to follow.

Congratulations on your standout prep career, Tim, and good luck in your future. Let's hope you are the one removing Dan Marino's name from the NFL's record books.

HONORING MARY GORMLEY

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Mr. DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mary Gormley, who was recently elected President of the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers—Virginia PTA—during the association's annual convention in Richmond.

I have had the privilege of knowing and working with Mary for over 16 years during my terms serving on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and since joining this honorable Chamber. Mary has been active in the PTA for more than 20 years, and has also been involved in many other community and school related activities. She has chaired or served on the executive Boards of a variety of committees. She chaired the Volunteers for the International Children's Festival, held annually at Wolftrap Farm Park in Vienna, VA. She was President of the Annandale High School Band Boosters as well as President of the Annandale High School PTSA. She also has served as Secretary and Membership Chairman of the Fairfax Committee of 100, and as 1st and 2nd Vice President of the Fairfax County Council of PTA's. Additionally, Mary has served on various Fairfax County School Board committees including, School Consolidation, Substance Abuse, and the Division Superintendent Dr. Robert Spillane's Advisory Committee to name a few.

On the road to attaining the prestigious position of Virginia State PTA President Mary served on the State level as 1st and 2nd Vice President.

Mary's many years of giving have been recognized by her receiving an Honorary Life Membership in the National PTA; an Honorary Life Membership in the Virginia PTA; Lady Fairfax for the Fairfax County Fair, and Commendations from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County School Board.

Mary is the wife of Brian Gormley and the proud mother of 3 children, Sean, Matthew, and Brienne Gormley.